NOTICE OF CORRECTED PAGES

TO: Service List - D.T.E. 01-50

RE: <u>Blackstone Gas Company</u>, D.T.E. 01-50 (November 29, 2001)

DATE: December 4, 2001

Please find corrected pages 43 through 53 inclusive, in the above captioned matter.

By Order of the Department,
James Connelly, Chairman
W. Robert Keating, Commissioner
Paul B. Vasington, Commissioner
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Eugene J. Sullivan, Commissioner
Deirdre K. Manning, Commissioner

REVENUE REQUIREMENTS AND CALCULATION OF REVENUE INCREASE

		COMPANY	DTE	
	PER COMPANY	ADJUSTMENT	ADJUSTMENT	PER ORDER
COST OF SERVICE				
Total O&M Expense	\$1,085,225	\$6,538	(\$46,682)	\$1,045,081
Depreciation and Amortization	65,318	0	0	65,318
Taxes Other Than Income Taxes	30,137	542	0	30,679
Income Taxes	68,897	(49,343)	4,280	23,835
Interest On Customer Deposits	1,021	0	0	1,021
Return On Rate Base	167,000	(36,525)	(158)	130,316
Total Cost Of Service	\$1,417,598	(78,788)	(42,559)	\$1,296,251
OPERATING REVENUES				
Operating Revenues	1,195,542	0	0	1,195,542
Other Revenue	1,990	0	0	1,990
Total Operating Revenues	1,197,532	0	0	1,197,532
Revenue Deficiency	\$220,066	(78,788)	(42,559)	\$98,719

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

		COMPANY	DTE	
	PER COMPANY	ADJUSTMENT	ADJUSTMENT	PER ORDER
O&M Expense Per Books	\$1,065,367	(\$662)	\$0	\$1,064,705
Less Purchase Gas Expense	\$591,464	0	0	\$591,464
Net O&M Expense	473,903	(662)	0	473,241
ADJUSTMENTS TO OTHER O&M EXPENSE:				
1996 Wage & Salary Expense	11,981	0	0	11,981
Unbundling Expense	(25,246)	7,361	0	(17,885)
Liability Insurance	10,000	(4,114)	(14,581)	(8,695)
Uncollectible Expense	(1040)	(253)	(20,661)	(21,954)
Benefit Allocation to Affiliate	0	(3,443)	0	(3,443)
Property Tax Blackstone	617	(617)	0	0
Property Tax Bellingham	(75)	75	0	0
Rate Case Expense	12,000	9,284	(5,066)	16,218
1996 Inflation Allowance	11,621	(1,093)	(6,374)	4,154
Total Adj. to Other O&M Expense	19,858	7,200	(46,682)	(19,624)
Adjusted Net Total O&M Expense	493,761	6,538	(46,682)	453,617
Total Adjusted O&M Expense	\$1,085,225	\$6,538	(46,682)	\$1,045,081

DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION EXPENSES

		COMPANY	DTE	
	PER COMPANY	ADJUSTMENT	ADJUSTMENT	PER ORDER
Depreciation Expense	65,318	0	0	65,318
Amortization Expense	0	0	0	0
Total Depreciation and Amortization Expense	\$65,318	0	0	\$65,318

SCHEDULE 4 RATE BASE AND RETURN ON RATE BASE **COMPANY** DTE PER COMPANY ADJUSTMENT ADJUSTMENT PER ORDER 0 Utility Plant in Service 1,931,897 (42,259)1,889,638 LESS: 515,296 0 0 Reserve For Depreciation 515,296 Net Utility Plant in Service 1,416,601 (42,259)0 1,374,342 ADDITIONS TO PLANT: 806 55,925 Cash Working Capital 60,875 (5,755)82,942 Reserve for Deferred Inc. Taxes (82,942)0 0 10,750 0 **Customer Deposits** (10,750)154,567 (92,886)(5,755)55,925 Total Additions to Plant DEDUCTIONS FROM PLANT: 0 82,942 82,942 Reserve for Deferred Inc. Taxes 0 0 10,750 0 10,750 **Customer Deposits** Total Deductions from Plant 0 93,692 0 93,692 RATE BASE 1,571,168 (228,837)(5,755)1,336,575 10.6% -0.88% 0.03% COST OF CAPITAL 9.75% RETURN ON RATE BASE * 167,000 (36,525)(158)130,316 * Rounded

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	COST	OF CAPITAL		
	<	PER COMPAN	Y	>
		RATE OF		
	PRINCIPAL	PERCENTAGE	COST	RETURN
Long-Term Debt	\$290,821	18.51%	8.79%	1.63%
Preferred Stock	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Common Equity	1,280,347	81.49%	11.00%	8.96%
Total Capital Weighted Cost of	\$1,571,168	100.00%		10.6%
Debt				1.63%
Equity				8.96%
Cost of Capital				10.6%
	<	PER COMPANY - AD	JUSTED	>
				RATE OF
	PRINCIPAL	PERCENTAGE	COST	RETURN
Long-Term Debt	\$787,530	57.84%	8.79%	5.08%
Preferred Stock	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Common Equity	574,128	42.16%	11.00%	4.64%
Total Capital Weighted Cost of	\$1,361,658	100.00%		9.72%
Debt				5.08%
Equity				4.64%
Cost of Capital				9.72%
	<	PER ORDER		>
				RATE OF
	PRINCIPAL	PERCENTAGE	COST	RETURN
Long-Term Debt	\$680,829	50.00%	9.00%	4.50%
Preferred Stock	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Common Equity	\$680,829	50.00%	10.50%	5.25%
Total Capital Weighted Cost of	\$1,361,658	100.00%		9.75%
Debt				4.50%
Equity				5.25%
Cost of Capital				9.75%

CASH WORKING CAPITAL

		COMPANY	DTE	
	PER COMPANY	ADJUSTMENT	ADJUSTMENT	PER ORDER
Other O&M Expense	473,903	(662)	0	473,241
Net Adjustments to Other O&M				
Expenses	19,858	7,200	(46,682)	(19,624)
Total Amount Subject to				
Cash Working Capital Allowance	493,761	6,538	(46,682)	453,617
Cash Working Capital Allowance	60,875	806	(5,755)	55,925
(Total times 45/365)				

TAXES OTHER THAN INCOME TAXES

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		COMPANY	DTE	
	PER COMPANY	ADJUSTMENT	ADJUSTMENT	PER ORDER
FICA Taxes	17,887	0	0	17,887
Federal Unemployment Taxes	327	0	0	327
State Unemployment Taxes	1,401	0	0	1,401
State Health Insurance	98	0	0	98
Property Taxes	10,424	542	0	10,966
Total Taxes Other Than Income	30,137	542	0	30,679

INCOME TAXES

		COMPANY	DTE	
	PER COMPANY	ADJUSTMENT	ADJUSTMENT	PER ORDER
Rate Base	1,571,168	(228,837)	(5,755)	1,336,575
Return on Rate Base	167,000	(36,525)	(158)	130,316
LESS:				
Interest Expense	39,090	30,119	(9,063)	60,146
Total deductions	39,090	30,119	(9,063)	60,146
Taxable Income Base	127,910	(66,644)	8,905	70,170
Taxable Income	196,807	(115,118)	(11,245)	92,934
Mass Franchise Tax (6.5 Percent)	12,792	(7,483)	(731)	6,041
Federal Taxable Income	184,015	(107,635)	10,514	86,894
Federal Income Tax Calculated	56,105	(41,860)	3,549	17,794
Total Income Taxes Calculated	68,897	(49,343)	4,280	23,835
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REVENUES

		COMPANY	DTE	
	PER COMPANY	ADJUSTMENT	ADJUSTMENT	PER ORDER
Operating Revenues per Books	1,195,542	0	0	1,195,542
Other Revenues	1,990	0	0	1,990
Total Operating Revenues	1,197,532	0	0	1,197,532

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SCHEDULE 10

REVENUE INCREASE PER ORDER:

\$155,420

PER COSS (Exh. B-1)

	Test Year Gas Revenues	Test Year Base Revenues	Total Test Year Revenues	Increase	Revenue Reqmt at EROR	Adjusted Revenue Increase	Adjusted Revenue Reqmt	Revenue Deficiency from cap	Allocation of Total Revenue Deficiency	Revenue Reqmt Capped at 18.4%	Department Approved Base Revenue
	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I) 	(J)	(K)
RESIDENTIAL			-								
R-1 NON-HEATING	12,634	28,484	41,118	8,568	49,686	3,843	44,96		0 157	7 45,119	32,485
R-3 HEATING	350,343	,	743,501	115,318	858,819	51,730	795,23		0 2,844	4 798,075 	447,732
TOTAL DEGIDENTIAL			-	400.000	000 505	55 574	040 400				400.040
TOTAL RESIDENTIAL	362,977	421,642	784,619	123,886	908,505	55,574	840,193	3		843,193	3 480,216
G-1 GENERAL SERVICE	194,529	171,470	365,999	67,944	433,943	30,479	396,478	3	0 1,400	397,878	3 203,349
SCHOOL RATE	33,958		44,924	28,237	73,161	12,667	57,59 ²	4,40	1	53,190	
TOTAL COMPANY	591,464	604,078	1,195,542	220,067	1,415,609	98,719	1,294,261	4,40	1 4,40		702,797

NOTES:

Column (A) - data from Exh. B-1, exh. 2 Schedule 1 (See Normal Gas Revenue);

Column (B) - data from Exh. B-1, exh. 2 Schedule 1 (See Normal Base Revenue);

Column (C) - Column (A) + Column (B);

Column (D) - data from Exh. B-1, exh. 2 Schedule 1 (See Required Increase/(Decrease));

Column (E) - Column (C) + Column (D);

 ${\sf Column} \; ({\sf F}) \; {\sf -} \; ({\sf Column} \; ({\sf C}) \; {\sf /} \; {\sf Column} \; (\; {\sf C}) \; {\sf Total} \; {\sf Company}) \; {}^* \; {\sf Revenue} \; {\sf Increase} \; {\sf Per} \; {\sf Order}.$

Blackstone Gas Company should computer Column (F) by rerunning the COSS per our directives in this order;

Column (G) - Column (C) + Column (F);

Column (H) - the revenue deficiency between Column (G) and 18.4% * Column (C);

Column (I) - the allocation of total revenue deficiency of Column (H) among those uncapped rate classes by multiplying Column (H) Total Company by percentage of each rate class to the Column (C) to the sum of Column (C) of all uncapped rate classes;

Column (J) - Column (G) - Column (H) + Column (I);

Column (K) - Column (J) - Column (A).

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VIII. <u>ORDER</u>

Accordingly, after due notice, hearing and consideration, it is hereby

ORDERED: That the tariffs M.D.T.E. Nos. 66 through 72, filed by Blackstone Gas Company on May 15, 2001, to become effective June 1, 2001, be and hereby are DISALLOWED; and it is

<u>FURTHER ORDERED</u>: That Blackstone Gas Company shall file new schedules of rates and charges designed to increase annual base rate revenues by \$98,719 and it is

<u>FURTHER ORDERED</u>: That Blackstone Gas Company shall file all rates and charges required by the Order and shall design all rates in compliance with this Order; and it is

<u>FURTHER ORDERED</u>: That Blackstone Gas Company shall comply with all other orders and directives contained herein; and it is